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SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION-TELEVISION COVERAGE OF
MRS. ALLENDE'S SPEECH AND DEBATE ON CHILE

REF: STATE 035643

1. AT OPENING OF AM. SESSION, 2/25, OF HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (HRC), CHAIRMAN ERMACORA (AUSTRIA) STATED THAT HE HAD A REQUEST FROM AN NGO THAT THE MORNING SESSION BE OPENED TO TV. HE CITED UN RES 13 TO SUPPORT HIS CONTENTION THAT MEETINGS SHOULD, IN GENERAL, BE OPEN TO THE PRESS IN THE INTEREST OF FREEDOM OF INFORMATION. SOCIALIST DELS, USSR, BULGARIA, BSSR, SPOKE ONE AFTER THE OTHER TO OPPOSE IT. TUNISIA WANTED IT BUT WOULD NOT FIGHT IT. NETHERLANDS SUPPORTED FREEDOM OF INFORMATION BY ALL MEDIA IN PRINCIPLE BUT FELT THAT IT WAS NOT THE ROLE OF THE COMMISSION TO EXPOSE AND TO CONDEMN BUT TO WORK FOR THE PRESERVATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. HE DID NOT THINK THAT TV EXPOSURE WOULD HELP TO ACHIEVE THAT OBJECTIVE. INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH, ONLY AMB BAZAN (PERMREP OF CHILE) SPOKE UP IN FAVOR OF HAVING MEETING TELEVISED AND ECUADOR SUPPORTED HIS POSITION.

2. THE REP OF LEBANON (MAHMASSANI) WHO HAD TRIED TO CLARIFY THE
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PARLIAMENTARY SITUATION DURING THE DEBATE EXPLAINED TO MISOFF

AFTERWARDS THAT PROPER PROCEDURE WOULD HAVE BEEN FOR ERMACORA,
AS CHAIRMAN, TO OPEN THE MEETING TO TV AND TO OBLIGE DELS THAT
WERE OPPOSED TO IT TO SUBMIT A FORMAL PROPOSAL TO HAVE IT
BANNED AND TO OBLIGE THEM TO VOTE ON THE ISSUE. AS IT WAS,
ERMACORA, YIELDING TO APPARENT CONSENSUS, EXCLUDED TV CREWS.

3. FOR THESE REASONS US DEL WAS ABLE TO FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS
CONTAINED REFTTEL TO THE LETTER.
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